

ILLINOIS VOTERS TODAY DECIDING SENATORIAL FIGHT

Ruth Hanna McCormick Making Strong Bid For Senate Seat

EXCITES MUCH INTEREST

First of Her Sex to Make Real Fight for the U. S. Senate

By George R. Holmes
(I. N. S. Staff Correspondent)

CHICAGO, April 8.—Millions of Illinois voters tramped to the polls today to decide the most spectacular primary the State has ever experienced—a contest that has pitted a brainy, resourceful woman against a skilled politician of the old school.

By tonightfall they will have determined whether Ruth Hanna McCormick is to be the Republican nominee for the Senate, or whether it is to be Senator Charles S. Deneen, a two-time Governor, who has been a power in Illinois affairs for more than a quarter of a century.

It is an engrossing contest. Mrs. McCormick is the first of her sex to make a real bid for the Senate. Moreover, she is the daughter of one famous Senator, Mark Hanna, the widow of another, Medill McCormick, and she is running against the man who defeated her late husband. The situation offers a vehicle for a first class drama.

The surface odds, betting, climatic and otherwise, favored the woman as the trek to the polls began at sunrise this morning. The so-called wise money in the Loop was being wagered eight against five that she will defeat Deneen, and the betting is considerable.

As the campaign ended there were strange tales of deals and bargains and combinations afloat. The factions are many and the feeling intense, and to this puzzling potpourri is added the bewildering complexities of ward leaders' contests, party central committee fights and aldermanic trades.

Her supporters count upon her coming up to the Cook county line with an even break or better, and here in Cook county (Chicago) they are depending upon a margin of from 50,000 to 100,000 votes.

The fact that few of the McCormick leaders predict a margin of victory greater than 100,000 in a total vote of several millions is in itself eloquent testimony to the closeness of the struggle.

Both candidates campaigned right up to the finish line— hectic day meeting in Loop theatres and then the final appeals over the radio at night. Both publicly declared their confidence.

"I feel perfectly happy over the situation," said Mrs. McCormick. "I am confident my election is assured. If there is any attempt to steal the election here in Cook county I will be in court the day after election and appeal for the appointment of a special State's attorney and a special grand jury to prosecute those engaged in the conspiracy."

And from Senator Deneen this: "I was never more confident of victory. We have had larger meetings than ever before in a primary contest. The hospitality and good will of the people from one end of the State to the other show a friendly sentiment that will be evident at the polls."

COMING EVENTS

April 10th—Card party in Newportville Fire Company station.

April 11th—Rev. "Billy" Sunday at Oakhurst Chapel. South Langhorne, afternoon and evening.

April 11th—Joint meeting of Men's Bible Classes of Bristol churches in parlor of M. E. Church at 8 p. m.

April 11th—Card party by Daughters of America, No. 58, in F. P. A. hall.

April 12—Bake sale by Ladies' Aid Society of Methodist Church in C. W. Winter store, Mill and Wood streets.

April 17th—Sacred cantata by joint choirs of Bristol M. E. Church and Pearsonville Church in Bristol M. E. Church.

April 21st—Annual card party and dance in St. Mark's hall.

April 25th—Annual Bristol high school student body dance.

April 25th—Mothers' Guild annual supper in St. James' parish house.

April 29th—Card party by Lily Rebekah Lodge, No. 356.

May 1st & 2nd—Motion picture show under auspices of American Legion Cadets in Riverside Theatre.

May 1, 2, 3—Musical comedy, "Sally, Irene and Mary," by K. of C. in St. Mark's hall.

May 4th to 10th—Boys' Week.

May 19th to 24th—Girls' Week.

KNEE INJURED

Anthony Carriere, an employee of the Vane Construction Company, sustained an injury to his knee this morning when the walls of a ditch in which he was digging, caved in on him. Carriere was located at a depth of about seven feet when the accident occurred. He was brought to the Harriman Hospital.

White House Widows Still Active



MRS. WILLIAM H. TAFT • MRS. THEODORE ROOSEVELT • MRS. WOODROW WILSON • MRS. GROVER CLEVELAND

Although we have only one man living, the Hon. Calvin Coolidge, who has had the proud distinction to serve as Chief Executive of the Nation, we have as pictured above some charming women who have stood beside their husbands during their respective terms of office and filled the important post of First Lady of the United States. That they have done so with credit to

their high position is now a matter of history. Seeking no honors for themselves, content to bask in the reflected glory of their distinguished husbands, they still take a keen and active interest in the destiny of the country which called their husbands to the highest place within its power.

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ATTENDANCE RECORDS BROKEN AT NEWTOWN

Banner Throng Turns Out To Hear Dr. Francis Green Speak

SPECIAL MUSIC, TOO

NEWTOWN, April 8th.—Newtown Men's meetings had the record attendance so far this season on Sunday afternoon, when Arcade Hall was thronged upon the occasion of the visit of Dr. Francis Green, headmaster of Pennington Seminary, as the speaker of the day.

Rev. Amos Goddard, rector of St. Luke's P. E. Church, presided. The special musical feature consisted of two solos by Stephen Miller, Newtown's talented tenor soloist. They were "The Holy City" and "My Task."

The large gathering which had anticipated a worth-while address from Dr. Green was not disappointed, and he kept the close attention of his hearers throughout his discourse. He took as his subject, "Our Nation's Greatest Need." Paying a strong tribute to the quality of patriotism, the speaker said Americans are foolish if they are blind to the weaknesses this country may have.

Proceeding on the process of elimination, Dr. Green declared that the greatest need of the nation is neither the League of Nations, a better understanding between capital and labor, more schools and better educational methods, stricter law enforcement, more libraries, better homes nor more churches, all of which might be considered desirable. Rather, said he, does the nation need the quality described in Proverbs 14:24—"Righteousness exalteth a nation; but sin is a reproach to any people." He developed righteousness to include individual integrity, Godliness and the spirit of brotherhood.

Dr. Green quoted as one of his favorite slogans the advice a certain mother gave her son as he started out in the world: "It is good to be a great man, but it is great to be a good man." The Bible, he said, is the No. 1 Book in the British Museum of 2,000,000 volumes, as it is the No. 1 Book in the universe. Every life has been well said to be either a Bible or a libel. There are some people who never lead until they are in a hearse leading a funeral procession. There are more children going to the dogs today because they are underworked than there are from overwork, said Dr. Green, for "Satan finds some mischief still for idle hands to do." What the individual makes, makes the individual, he said.

The speaker next Sunday—Palm Sunday—will be Henry J. Johnson, of Trenton, and it is hoped to have the singing evangelist, H. E. McKinley, who conducted a series of services in Newtown Hall some time ago, to contribute to the musical numbers.

SOCIAL TONIGHT

The Ladies' Guild of St. Paul's Chapel, Edgely, will hold the regular weekly pie and cake social this evening at the residence of Mrs. Stewart Locke, Grieb avenue. A pleasant evening is assured.

SIXTH WARD BOYS!

All boys of the Sixth Ward are urged to meet tonight at the high school grounds at six o'clock. Meetings are to be held every evening at the same time and place so as to prepare for Boys' Week. Boys, be sure and be on hand.

SAMUEL SHIRE, Leader.

Edgely Girl Scouts Entertained at Cornwells

The Edgely Girl Scouts were visitors of Cornwells Troop No. 1 on Friday evening, at the Cornwells M. E. Church. Part of the evening was given to the demonstration of bandages, after which the girls went to the "gym" where several scout games were played and refreshments served. A delightful time was had by all.

The girls were taken in machines by Mr. A. Dager, Mr. C. Stackhouse, and Mr. Ted Smith. Those who went were: Miss Estelle Ensig, captain; Anna Brown, Bessie Docherty, Carolyn Betz, Ida Gilbert, Myrtle Link, Genevieve Ensig, Winifred Livisey, Ruth Weller, Norrine Wheeler, Esther Locke, Margaret Moore, Emma Dager, Janet Barnes, Pearl Stanley, Roberta Swain, Thelma Williams, all of Edgely; and Ann Mannale, of Wilmington, Delaware.

BOXING AND WRESTLING TO FEATURE MEETING

Fathers' Meeting to Be Full of Action on Thursday Night

ALL MEMBERS INVITED

The entertainment committee of the Bristol Fathers' Association has arranged an entertainment for the meeting on Thursday evening, that will appeal to the men. It will consist of a number of scientific boxing bouts and wrestling matches.

The boxing bouts are being sponsored by John Straffe, a former Bristol school boy, who has acquired quite a reputation as a boxer, and whose services are in constant demand at the athletic clubs in Trenton and Philadelphia. He will box four rounds with Johnny Brennan, a noted boxer of Trenton. This bout will be the feature of the evening, and will give the men an illustration of the science of self-defense.

A second bout will be staged between Otto Straffe, a brother of John, and another Bristol young man named Quici, both of whom are acquiring reputations as boxers. The third bout will be between two young men whose identity will not be revealed until the evening of the meeting.

The wrestling matches are being arranged by Stanford K. Runyon, president of the Fathers' Association, and the young men who participate will come from one of the instruction classes in Philadelphia.

Mr. Runyon has succeeded in securing Johannes Pinar, champion middle-heavyweight wrestler of the United States, who with a friend, will give an exhibition in wrestling. Mr. Pinar is instructor of wrestling at W. J. Herman's institute in Philadelphia. He often wrestles at the Arena in Philadelphia, and last year accompanied a wrestling team on a tour through Canada.

In addition to the boxing bouts and the wrestling matches, several vocal selections will be rendered by Samuel Kershaw, who is called "The Singing Hucker," and Jimmy Forty, a Bristol school boy.

Only the members of the Fathers' Association will be admitted. Admission will be by membership card, and no guests will be allowed on this occasion.

COAL GAS OVERCOMES

Albert Stowe, of Cleveland street, was overcome by coal gas this morning as he assisted Superintendent of Public Safety James L. McGee with the work of inspecting cellars of Bristol residences. Stowe is a borough fireman.

Today in History:

Four hundred killed by reservoir collapse near Madrid, 1905.

WILL DROP INVITATION FROM AIRPLANE HERE

Rotary Club to Get Unique Bid to Attend 50th District Conference

TOMORROW, 10.25 A. M.

Prominent district officials of the Rotary Club will fly over Bristol tomorrow morning at 10.25 o'clock and drop a parachute carrying an invitation to the 50th District Conference to be held in Philadelphia on April 27th, 28th and 29th.

Members of the Bristol club will assemble at the Keystone Airport and salute their district officers as the plane swoops low over their gathering. Dr. Charles A. Haff, district governor, will release the parachute containing the invitation. He will be accompanied by Gilbert J. Palen, Norman Smith will pilot the ship.

The plane is making a three-day tour, starting today to visit each of 70 towns and cities located within the 50th District. Landing places will include Atlantic City, Allentown and Reading.

Officers of the Bristol Club expect all the members to attend the unique notification meeting.

Entertains Friends At Home of Her Parents Here

Miss Marion Hendricks, of 611 Cedar street, was hostess on Friday evening at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hendricks, to a number of her friends, the occasion being the celebration of her birthday anniversary.

The birthday cake was a work of art, in green and white, as were also the other decorations.

The guests included: Mr. and Mrs. William Feaster, of Bordentown, N. J.; Miss Dorothy Hardy, and the Misses Laurabel and Margaret Hendricks, Lawrence Siddons, Robert Hendricks and Russell Moore, of Bristol; John Dougherty, of Trenton, N. J.; Mahlon Dougherty and Edwin Clark, of Bordentown, N. J.; and Ralph Magee, of Philadelphia.

The evening was spent in playing "500" and pinochle. Favors were given to William Feaster, Lawrence Siddons and Robert Hendricks.

DRUNKEN DRIVER

George Borland, Croydon, was arrested yesterday in Bristol for drunken driving. He was held in bail for court.

Hulmeville Hosiery Company Case Opens Before Judge Hiram Keller

DOYLESTOWN, April 8.—About 100 people occupied the grand jury room here this morning when hearing took place before Judge Hiram H. Keller in the injunction proceedings brought by the Hulmeville Hosiery Company, a non-union shop, against the American Federation of Full-Fashioned Hosiery Workers, to prevent members of the Federation from obstructing the operation of the plant by picketing, causing disorder, etc.

The operators of the mill were represented by William H. Satterthwaite, of Doylestown. The labor union was represented by former Senator Webster Grimm.

Several witnesses were called including operators of the mill who testified that a group of former employees at the hosiery mill, members of the union, have been trying to gain sympathizers by picketing.

It was brought out that several of the group have made threats to other workers.

This morning's session was given over in a great part to the technicalities of the case.

This afternoon the union group will be heard.

NAME OFFICERS TO ARRANGE PLANS FOR GIRLS' WEEK

Many Women Attend Meeting Held in Legion Home Last Night

TO SELECT COMMITTEES

Officers Will Meet Wednesday Evening and Complete The Organization

It was a large and enthusiastic gathering of women which assembled in the Legion Home last evening to discuss ways and means of staging a Girls' Week in Bristol. There were about 50 women present and a majority of the organizations invited to send a representative to the meeting did so.

The meeting was thrown open to a general discussion of the project and it was the consensus of opinion that every effort should be made to make the week one long to be remembered.

Officers were named and the appointment of ward leaders and committees was considered. It was decided, however, that before any public announcement of the committees and ward leaders is made that there should be a meeting of the officers, so that a complete list may be made public.

Officers named were as follows: Chairwoman, Mrs. Harry Pope; vice chairwoman, Miss Helen Fine; secretary, Miss Mary McFadden; treasurer, Mrs. Warren P. Snyder.

The date set for the event is the week of May 18th to 24th, both inclusive.

It is planned to run the week following the general plans of the Boys' Week program. There will be an opening in the churches on Sunday, May 18th, and the program will conclude on Saturday, May 24th, with a meeting in the Grand Theater and a parade and track and field events.

There are to be marble contests, piano and harmonica contests, sewing exhibition, poster contest, track and field events.

Fire Routs Family In Madison Street Residence

The family of Joseph Boyle were roused from their slumber at 3.15 this morning when rubbish in the cellar caught fire.

The Consolidated Fire Department was called and by quick response and quick work succeeded in confining the flames to the cellar where they originated.

The loss was trifling.

The alarm was sent in from Box 31, Madison street and Wilson avenue.

Shortly before ten o'clock this morning an alarm was sounded from Headley and Pine streets, when fire was discovered at the residence of Charles Hutchinson, 802 Pine street.

The blaze was in the chimney of the Hutchinson residence and the loss was small.

At about 10.30 this morning sparks from the shifting engine of the P. R. R. set fire to the shingle roof of the house of James DeMarco, Railroad avenue, rear of Otter street, loss trifling.

HULMEVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schoenfeld, of Bellevue avenue, entertained over the week-end their relative, Vance Belz, Jr., of Bristol Township.

On Sunday Mrs. Edward Willett, of Trenton, N. J., visited friends in Hulmeville.

The Misses Elva and Ida Katherine Roberts, of Bristol, visited their aunt, Miss Ida Roberts, of Main street, Saturday and Sunday.

A Sunday guest of Miss Helen Bilger at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bilger, was Miss Ruth Hulme, of Torresdale.

Naval Parley Adviser Returns in Ill Health



Still showing the effects of his current illness, Rear Admiral Hilary P. Jones was snapped at the Pennsylvania Station, New York City, en route to Washington, where a room has been prepared for him at the Naval Hospital. Jones was senior naval adviser for the American delegation to the London Naval Conference.

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PINOCHLE ENTERTAINS TWO GROUPS OF PLAYERS

No. 1 Fire Company Auxiliary Conducts A Pleasing Party Here

ALTOONA CLUB ALSO

The Ladies' Auxiliary of No. 1 Fire Company, sponsored another successful card party held in the hose house, Wood and Market streets, last evening. The party was in charge of a committee composed of Mrs. J. Leavitt Fine, Mrs. P. Nills and Mrs. Howard Johnson.

The game of pinochle, which seems to be growing more popular every day, was played last evening, there being eighteen tables of players arranged and eight games played. The prizes were numerous and beautiful, both for the home and the person. "Sam" Dixon received high score of 770 and his choice was a console mirror. Allen Barr with a score of 744 selected a bridge lamp; while Mrs. Clara Middleton having third high score of 743 chose a beautiful china tea set. Other prize winners and their scores were:

S. H. Goheen, 737; Miss Edna Busse, 735; Mrs. E. B. Price, 734; Mrs. Bessie Campbell, 728; Miss Hilda M. Pope, 728; Mrs. E. P. Marchena, 723; John New, 722; Mrs. Leo Hibbs, 720; Mrs. J. Nills, 718; Miss Sara Bradley, 717; P. Nills, 716; R. W. Odyke, 714; Ott Fine, 712; Miss Dorothy Darr, 707; Mrs. M. Taylor, 702; W. Vetter, 699; C. Milnor, 695; Mrs. M. Baldwin, 691; Mrs. William Vetter, 686; Mrs. Minnie Obrecht, 681; Clifford Darrab, 680; John Brudon, 678; Mrs. B. Milnor, 677; Mrs. Marie Gratz, 676; Ralph Brudon, 673; Paul Simpson, 672; Peter Caputa, 666; Howard Johnson, 660; Chlie Fiooco, 660; Mrs. J. Ridge, 659; R. Jenks, 658; Howard Smoyer, 657; R. Bradley, 657; Miss Gertrude Demming, 652.

Refreshments of sandwiches, cake and coffee were sold during the evening. A neat sum was realized.

Mrs. William Lynch, of 344 Madison street, recently entertained the members and friends of the Altoona Pinochle Club. Six tables of players were arranged and prizes were awarded. Mrs. Florence Hibbs received a beautiful table cloth. Those who won prizes and their scores were:

Mrs. Roy Ott, 798; Franklin C. Smith, 718; Mrs. Ethel Barr, 705; Mrs. Leonard Fenton, 689; Miss Gertrude Demming, 688; Mrs. Bessie Campbell, 688; Mrs. Hilda Albright, 685; Mrs. Stanley Keers, 677; Mrs. Clara Middleton, 672; Mrs. Clara Bailey, 669; Mrs. Charles Mummey, 663; Mrs. Carrie Keers, 655; Mrs. Florence Bell, 654; R. A. Malcolm, 648; W. H. Branigan, 648.

"FAST" MAIL

By the Strolcher

Two years is the time taken by a letter sent by air mail from Bristol to reach Argentina.

The sender, Jacob Steinberg, Mill street, mailed the epistle from Bristol on the 16th of September, 1927, and the letter was returned to him yesterday.

The piece of mail, with an air-mail stamp, left here in the fall of 1927 and the postmark on the envelope showing when it reached Buenos Aires was October, 1929.

When the individual to whom the letter was addressed could not be found, six months' time was consumed in the return of the letter to Mr. Steinberg.

JUDGE SAYS THEFT OF CHICKENS MUST STOP IN COUNTY

Sends One Man to the "Pen" For Nearly Eight Years

BRISTOL MEN JAILED

Hellings, Saxton and Buck Get Year in County Prison

William Hellings, William Saxton and William Buck, of Bristol, who broke into a Bristol chicken house on March 27 and stole five chickens, told Judge Keller yesterday they were drunk when they did it. They were sent to the county prison for not less than six or more than twelve months and fined \$5 and costs.

DOYLESTOWN, Apr. 8.—When Judge Hiram H. Keller announced yesterday in Quarter Sessions Court that chicken thieves will receive a warm reception in Bucks County, he meant it.

A few minutes after the jurist had issued an ultimatum that chicken stealing must stop in Bucks County because it is about the meanest kind of stealing that a person can stoop to, a former Bucks county farmer who left the farm and a lawful profession to steal chickens, was sentenced to the Eastern State Penitentiary.

Charles Rumph, thirty-nine, who formerly conducted a farm near New Galena, pleaded guilty to stealing chickens from four Bucks County farms. All told he stole over 300 valuable birds. He traveled at night in an automobile and stole from twenty to thirty chickens from each farm, took them to Philadelphia and sold them.

Four separate sentences aggregating not less than four or more than eight years in the Eastern State Penitentiary and \$20 in fines were imposed on Rumph. For each charge he was fined \$5 and costs and sentenced from one to two years in the penitentiary, with the sentences to run consecutively.

"I cannot understand why you cannot stop stealing," Judge Keller said to Rumph, who was in criminal court here on several previous occasions. "You were here when I was District Attorney and Judge Ryan at that time placed you on probation after you had pleaded guilty to stealing some feed. You are light-fingered and cannot get out of the habit."

"This should be a warning for others who figure on stealing chickens in the future," Judge Keller remarked. Trooper Joseph Welkel, of the State Police, testified that Rumph admitted to him stealing chickens from the farms of William Large, Benjamin Stevens, Glee Sayre and Charles Kriebel, near Doylestown. The Stevens and Kriebel places were visited by Rumph on three different occasions.

Rumph had nothing to say about the case. He was given the opportunity to speak but remained silent.

Joseph Bowker and Gilmore Bishop, of Bristol, were sentenced to serve from one to two years in the county prison and fined \$100 and costs yesterday by Judge Keller. They pleaded guilty to entering a pottery office in Bristol and stealing money, a typewriter and an adding machine while they were drunk.

Walter Sisk, of Schenectady, N. Y., was discharged yesterday by Judge Keller and the costs were placed on the county when he was before the court for stealing eight chickens from Mrs. H. H. Steuber, of near Coopersburg. He admitted taking eight chickens but told the court that the woman for whom he had been working on a farm had not paid him a cent of money in three months. When he found the chickens did not belong to the woman that employed him, he returned the chickens.

"Although you are technically guilty of larceny the Court will in this case discharge you and place the costs on the county," Judge Keller remarked.

Reed Was Jailed

Dewey Reed, of Morrisville, a painter, pleaded guilty to stealing copper cable from the Warner Company plant on January 23. He was sentenced to two months in the county prison and fined \$50 and costs.

Brott Got 3 Months

Elmer Brott, of Morrisville, arrested for carrying a concealed deadly weapon pleaded guilty before Judge Keller yesterday and was sentenced to three months in the county prison and fined \$5 and costs. Brott threatened to kill Abram Kriebel, steward of the County Home. When searched in the prison a revolver was found in his pocket.

NOTICE

A rumor has been circulated about town that the Croydon Fire Company has been interested in a reform political movement. The officers of the company take this opportunity to state that the Croydon Fire Company has not and will not take any part in this stated political movement or any other movement.

JOHN E. GLENN.

SPORTS

BOWLING

BRISTOL BOWLING LEAGUE

Rohm & Haas			
Stewart	190	184	177
Kilian	196	193	214
Encke	201	177	156
Sharkey	229	188	176
Wenzel	191	138	156
1007 880 889			
Fire Co. No. 2			
F. Allen	172	191	178
J. Bell	200	192	155
Blake	148	213	213
E. Allen	172	127	145
Pearson	223	211	170
915 934 861			

Special Match			
Bristol			
V. Keers	158	159	148
Habbar	148	154	152
Amisson	138	138	138
C. Keers	172	162	171
Plum	148	177	173
764 790 780			
Lansdowne			
Falkenhnd	133	172	155
Field	128	96	142
Gallagher	126	137	148
Miller	122	167	200
Anderson	158	128	174
667 700 819			

Amisson			
J. Amisson	147	222	168
Deiterich	183	195	182
Shargo	193	199	167
Groff	192	172	189
L. Amisson	184	201	194
899 989 900			
Fire Co. No. 1			
Jones	136	188	156
Wilkeson	175	154	161
Smoyer	152	145	186
Bruden	144	218	159
Nills	172	209	192
779 914 754			

SPECIAL MATCH			
A. O. H. MARRIED MEN			
Brady	105	137	100
N. McDevitt	104	98	125
Gallagher	115	99	136
Stott	97	84	71
Dugan	130	115	140
551 533 572			
A. O. H. SINGLE MEN			
Boyle	124	105	
Brady	119	118	
Waters	131		
Dugan	75		
Rodgers	143	109	
Connors	147	180	
McCarry	198	158	
McGinley	97		
Lawler	146		
Dougherty	125		
743 562 670			

MEUSEL AND HEILMAN MAY INSPIRE OTHERS

By Davis J. Walsh

(L. N. S. Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, April 8.—They speak glibly of the power of suggestion when they are playing pathological tennis with Dr. Freud. But in many instances this is just a sonorous phrase intended to convey the wholly commonplace thought that man is a rank imitator. In school yard patois, the phrase, "monkey see, monkey do," might answer the same purpose.

This, of course, is a rather narrow interpretation, but it is wide enough to cover the question of just what, if anything, the presence of Harry Heilmann and Bob Meusel will mean to the Cincinnati outfield this year. These men are hitters, natural, untrammelled. The Reds haven't known anything like them since Ed Roush was traded to the Giants almost four years ago and even Roush lacked the sheer power of either Heilmann or Meusel.

Call it the power of suggestion, force of example or what you will, but hitting such as Heilmann figures to give the Reds ought to be something of an inspiration to Critz, Ford, Dresen, Swanson, and kindred souls who can't hit the fence on the second hop.

Ruth, for example, undoubtedly inspired Gehrig. The latter had potentialities but they needed Ruth's example to bring them into the light of day. The great man simply went out there and hit one off the premises with the most ponderous swing baseball has known, this clearly proving that the pitcher was not infallible. Ruth could hit him with a swing that started back in the third row balcony. Why, then, couldn't the next man do it with a swing that started no further away than the letters on his chest? That Watson, is elementary.

It simply means that the pitcher is encouraged in proportion to the discouragement on the opposite bench when nobody can get a hit. If this condition is chronic, the team in question eventually becomes inept to the matter and suffers from the disease they call defeatism. A potentially good hitter can even settle into the same rut with the rest of them under these conditions. As for a potentially light hitter, he soon leaves for Council Bluffs and has to die in order to get his name in the papers.

Cobb doubtless exerted a beneficial influence on the dynasty of Detroit outfielders that have come up from nowhere to achieve undying renown in the last twenty years. Bobby Veach was one—a great hitter—Heilmann himself was another. Fothergill and Manush blossomed vividly after some of the others began to fade. Anyhow, I notice that the class of Detroit outfielders is beginning to fall somewhat below the standard. Cobb has been away for four years. Of course, they have had the impetus of

the old drive and the inspiration of Heilmann but even though Johnson and Stone were first-year successes, it seems possible that in the years to come Detroit outfielders might sink to the level of mediocrity. This, in any case, was so in Cleveland for the few years directly following Speaker's departure.

I don't know what Meusel will do for the Reds. He is a comparatively young man but his last season with the Yankees saw him hitting .261 and it may be that his fall is permanent. But Heilmann always was a hitter and it strikes me that he always will be.

Four times leader of the American League with marks of .394, .403, .393, and .398, he has never been below .344 in the last eleven years and ought to hit National League pitching with equal, if not greater, abandon. If he does, it might be well to look for some hitting at Redland Field for the first time in some years.

Man is far more plausible as an imitative, rather than a creative, animal.

Hopkins Lodge Members Entertain Oxford Lodge

Hopkins Lodge, No. 87, entertained the Oxford Lodge last evening in their hall on Radcliffe street. A delegation of twenty-seven men visited the Bristol Lodge.

The evening was spent playing pinocle, baseball, pool and quitoes and the results were as follows:

Pinocle games won by Oxford lodge; two baseball games won by Oxford lodge; pool won by Bristol Lodge No. 87; quitoes won by Bristol Lodge No. 87.

After the games were completed, refreshments were served. On April 16th, Hopkins Lodge, No. 87, will take a delegation to visit Oxford Lodge to see the first degree conferred. It is hoped that as many members as possible will find it convenient to attend this meeting.

HULMEVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Cox, Bellevue avenue, had as Sunday guests, Miss Louise Harding, a student nurse at Mercer Hospital, Trenton, and Warren B. Taylor, of Allentown, N. J.

ATTEND MEETING

Mrs. Walter F. Leedom, of 254 Radcliffe street, and Mrs. Henry Rue, of Edgely, on Monday attended the meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association at the Bellevue Stratford Hotel, Philadelphia.

Boy and Girl Scout Revue To Be Given at Croydon

A Boy and Girl Scout revue is to take place at the Croydon Theatre, State Road and Cedar avenue, on the evening of April 28th at 7.30 o'clock.

A well trained cast under the direction of John Foundis, committeeman of Croydon Boy Scout Troop, No. 1, consists of members of Croydon Girl Scout Troop, No. 1, the Boy Scout Troops Nos. 1 and 2, and Croydon Cub Pack, No. 1.

Rehearsals have revealed remarkable talent. The profits will be used for Scout purposes exclusively.

Quakertown Family Flees Early Morning Blaze

QUAKERTOWN, Apr. 8.—(INS)—The family of Henry Imbody barely escaped with their lives when fire gutted their home near here early today. The loss will amount to \$5,000 all their possessions going up in the flames.

The blaze had enveloped the entire first floor of the two story dwelling before the family awakened. Imbody and his wife fled to safety across the porch roof adjoining the second floor. Their three children, Stanley, 12, Harvey, 10, and Pearl, 6, then jumped into their father's arms. Neighbors took the family into their homes.

The origin of the fire is unknown.

NEWPORTVILLE

The box social which the Christian Endeavor of Newportville Church held in the church basement on Friday evening was well attended and a very pleasant evening was spent by all.

Nearly 400 Men Attend Past Grands' Ass'n Session

DOYLESTOWN, Apr. 8.—A banner group, totalling 400 men, attended the meeting of the Past Grands' Association of Southeastern District of Pennsylvania, I. O. O. F., in the lodge room of Aquetong Lodge, here, Saturday evening.

Jesse C. Everitt, of Hulmeville, vice-president for Bucks County, presided at the meeting. The speakers were Rev. Charles Freeman and U. S. District Attorney Boyer.

Medina Band, composed of about 25 pieces, furnished music throughout the evening, and refreshments were served.

The Eastern District comprises lodges from Bucks, Montgomery, Chester, Philadelphia and Delaware counties.

Officers of Neshaminy Lodge, No. 422, I. O. O. F., and of Ontario Lodge, Langhorne, will be installed Friday evening at the headquarters of the latter lodge in Langhorne. District Deputy Grand Master B. Frank Cope will be the installing officer.

County Scout Council Conducts Training Courses

Last evening in the Wood street school house, training courses were conducted by the Bucks County Council, Boy Scouts of America, under the direction of Scout Executive William F. Livermore, Jr., and a faculty of veteran volunteer leaders whose wide experiences in Scouting are brought into the training through a scientific program that has been based upon the experiences, in training Scout leaders, of the National Training Committee after a complete survey of the past 20 years of Scouting in America.

A continual stream of letters has

poured into the Scout headquarters appealing for assistance in presenting Scout problems and also concerning the organization of new units. The Executive Board of the Bucks County Council in answer to these requests has made it possible for all men actively or inactively engaged in the movement to attend these courses and derive the benefit of the lectures and discussions based on the National program. The courses are carried on in the upper part of the county during the latter part of the week which affords the training to all.

A general spirit of good fellowship prevailed at the initial meeting last evening and only those who have had contact with Scout Executive Livermore can fully appreciate the condition of the training course atmosphere. The various discussions on Scouting technique were broken up by songs and stunts.

Tonight at the Wood street school the second part of the training program of six meetings will take place and anyone interested may participate. There is no registration fee.

In addition to the regular courses the Council is conducting a Sea Scout Leaders' training course. This is the first Sea Scout course to be conducted in Bucks County.

Early last evening a deck plan was constructed in the auditorium of the school and the Sea Scout Ship "Training" rode gently at her anchor from 7.30 to 9.30 p. m. Perry and Cook, skipper and mate, were in charge of the ship and one of the points that

was brought out during the "dog watches" was that it is possible for a vessel to float even though Perry and Cook were navigating. The second meeting of Sea Scout Leaders will be held tonight in the Wood street school and all men over twenty-one years of age who are anxious to see this interesting program developed are invited to go aboard. The Sea Scout Ship "Training" weighs anchor at 7.30 p. m., but it is urged that all Sea Scout enthusiasts be on hand for the exhibit period between 7.00 and 7.30 p. m.

Monday and Tuesday evenings, April 14th and 15th, the third and fourth meetings will take place in Newtown and on the following Monday evening the fifth meeting will be held in Morrisville which will be followed by a banquet on Tuesday, April 22nd. A large attendance is expected at all of the meetings.

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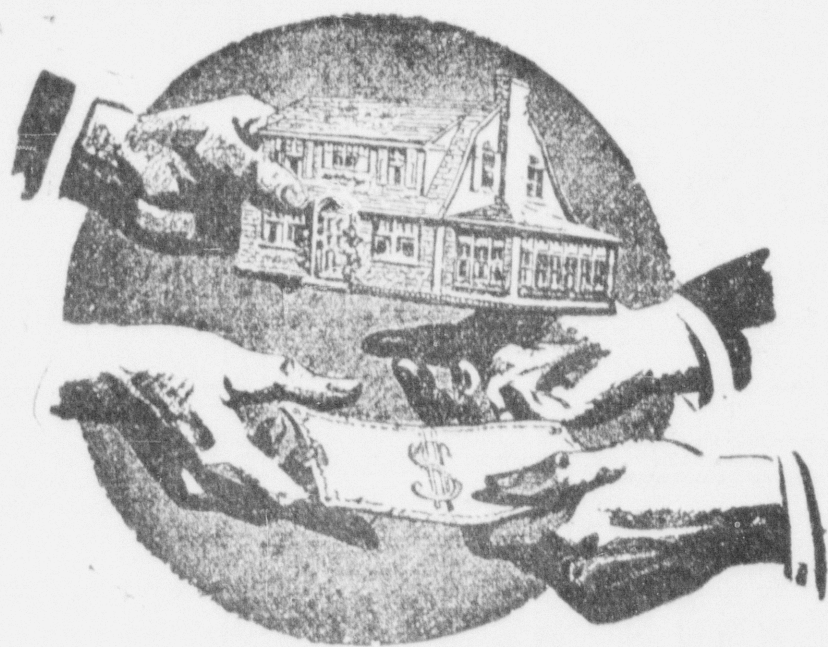
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